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## **AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

### **Listing of Claims:**

1. (currently amended) A method for marking food products[[,]] for attesting to their authentication, comprising the steps of:

positioning a device for wrapping plastic bands and wrapping an anvil means along said product while said product is on a conveyor, at a speed that is substantially equal to the speed of the conveyor upon which the products move;

locating said anvil means at said product;

advancing said device for wrapping bands to a position for engaging said product while said anvil means is located at said product;

winding said band around said product and said anvil means;

feeding a hologram to a location between a welding means and said band;

advancing said welding means towards said anvil means;

welding said hologram to said band with a welding means supported by said anvil;

retracting said welding means; and

retrieving said anvil means from said band.

2. (previously presented) The method of claim 1, implemented for authentication of food markings selected from the group consisting of "Halal", "Kosher", "health criteria" and "Organic."

Claims 3-4 (cancelled)

5. (previously presented) The method of claim 1, wherein said advancing of said device for wrapping bands comprises piercing said product to form an aperture; and wherein winding said band around said product and said anvil means is executed

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through the aperture formed by said piercing.

6. (cancelled)

7. (previously presented) The method of claim 1, wherein said retracting of said welding means is cyclical, in order to arrive at a subsequent batch of said products intended to be marked.

Claims 8-30 (cancelled)